



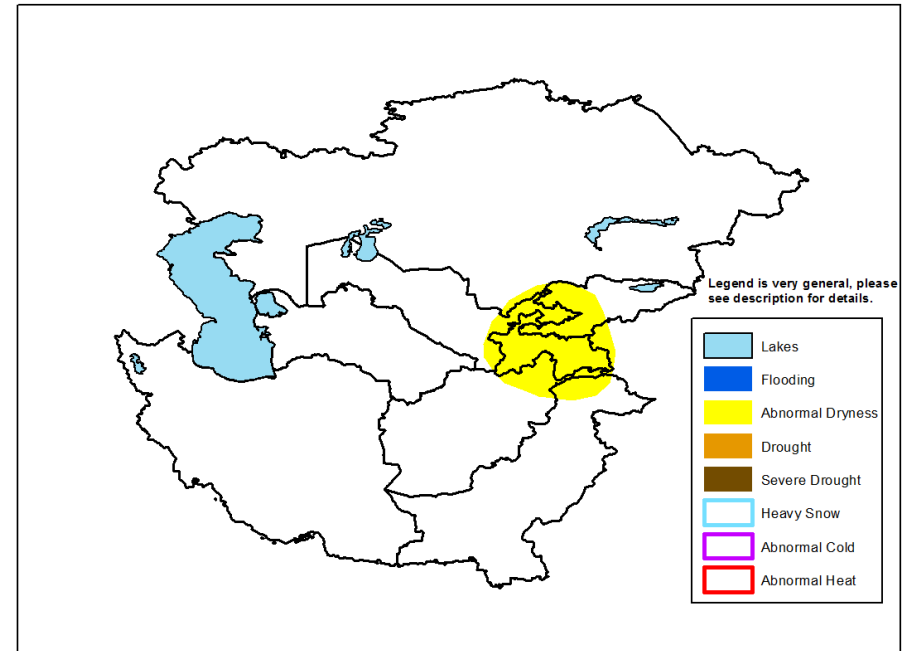
Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook February 13 - 19, 2014

Temperatures:

Much below-normal temperatures (6 degrees C or more) continued across Central Asia during early February with the largest negative anomalies across northern Afghanistan, Kyrgyzstan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan. Minimum temperatures of -30 to -25 degrees C were observed across most of Kazakhstan. Hard freezes with minimum temperatures around -5 degrees C affected the lowlands of southern Afghanistan. During the next week, below-normal temperatures are expected to persist. Abnormal cold is not posted since negative temperature anomalies are not forecast to be as large as previous weeks.

Precipitation

Light to moderate snow fall (2 – 22 mm, liquid equivalent) was limited to across eastern Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, and northern Afghanistan during the past week. According to the CPC-unified dataset, precipitation anomalies are greater than 50 mm during the past 90 days for the area highlighted in abnormal dryness. During the next week, mostly dry weather is expected.



Note: The Hazards outlook map is based on current weather/climate information, short and medium range weather forecasts (up to 1 week), and assesses their potential impact on crop and pasture conditions. Shaded polygons are added in areas where anomalous conditions have been observed. The boundaries of these polygons are only approximate at this continental scale. This product does not reflect long range seasonal climate forecasts or indicate current or projected food security conditions.

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